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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.191(d), the time period set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.192 is subject to the extension of time provisions set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

A one-month extension of time is respectfully requested for filing the appeal brief in this matter, from December 17, 2002 until **January 17, 2003**, and a check in the amount of **\$110.00** is enclosed in payment of that fee.

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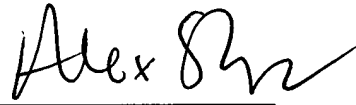
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